

#### THE AMERICAN LEGION – November 2019 Meeting SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

<u>Call to Order:</u> The November 2019 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander, Fred Kinkin.

## Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

New members: Steve Kiggans and Rich Fraser Guests: Rich Fraser, Director, Vet's Kitchen

Post Everlasting: None

## Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

<u>Officer's Roll Call:</u> A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed. Fourteen members were present.

#### Committee Reports:

- Service Officer: Eric Bell. Absent
- Adjutant Rick Jones: Absent
- Finance Officer Jon Asher: Financial status was: \$18,753 in building fund savings account;
  \$3,520 in Post Checking account.
- Chaplain George Schmidt: Nothing to Report
- Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Nothing to Report
- Web Master Craig Huber: Website is up to date. Looking to train a replacement.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander/Historian Bert Wendell: The Post 110 Commander's plaque has been updated.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Miriam Triscritti: Absent.
- ALA Commander Tonya Jones: Absent
- Commander Fred Kinkin: Volunteer activity thru October: 905 hours; 3,828miles. Current paid membership is 231 vs target of 336 (69%). Need guest speakers for January and Feb meetings.

**<u>Reading of Minutes</u>**: The meeting minutes are posted on the vapost110.org website.

<u>Guest Speaker/Special Recognition</u>: Rich Fraser, Director of Vet's Kitchen provided an overview of the organization which provides food assistance to homeless veterans and helps them find housing. The Post

voted unanimously to donate a check for \$75 to Vet's Kitchen. Commander Kinkin presented a Legion coin to Rich Fraser for his efforts assisting veterans. Rich Fraser also joined the Post as a new member.

Commander Kinkin presented member and Webmaster Craig Huber with a Legion coin in recognition of his volunteer efforts in 2018-19. Craig volunteered a total 470 hours and 1,813 miles driven in support of the American Legion and other civic activities. Craig will be moving to SC in Feb, 2020 and the post will need to find a replacement for him in his duties as webmaster.

## Major Topics Discussed

- 1. Commander Kinkin summarized Veteran's Day activities by the Post which included participation in the Nov 11 Virginia Beach parade and a special veterans ceremony at OLPH on 12 November.
- 2. Craig Huber, Webmaster, is moving from the Hampton Roads area to SC in the Spring. We need a new Webmaster; please see Commander Kinkin if you are interested. And Thanks to Craig for his many years of service to Post 110!
- 3. Commander Kinkin congratulated two Post 110 members for being elected to the Virginia State Senate in the recent election. Jen Kiggans was elected in the 7<sup>th</sup> District and Bill DeSteph was elected in the 8<sup>th</sup> District. Jen Kiggans was in attendance and provided a short briefing on the election and committed to continuing to be a strong advocate for veterans issues.
- 4. The annual Christmas dinner for the Post will be held on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> in lieu of our monthly meeting. The dinner will be at 6pm at Gus and George's Spaghetti and Steakhouse Restaurant located at 4312 Virginia Beach Blvd. Members at encouraged to bring their spouse/other guest and will be responsible for their meal. The Post will provide holiday gifts for those in attendance.

#### Long Range Goals:

- 1. Obtain permanent Post Home.
- 2. Increase active membership participation.

#### **Recently Completed Events:**

- Sep 24 POW/MIA ceremony at NAS Oceana
- Nov 11 Veteran's Day Parade in Virginia Beach
- Nov 12 Veteran's Day ceremony at OLPH

# Upcoming Events

- Dec 11 American Legion Post 110 Christmas Party at Gus and George's Restaurant, 6pm
- Jan 3 -- Executive Board Meeting at 6pm, place TBD
- Jan 8 -- Post 110 monthly meeting at VFW 392, 7pm
- Jan 11 District Oratorical Contest, at Virginia Wesleyan University, 8am
- Feb 2 -- Four Chaplains Ceremony at Post 310
- Feb 12 -- Post 110 monthly meeting at VFW 392, 7pm
- Feb 16 -- 2<sup>nd</sup> District Spring Conference at Post 5, 1pm
- Feb 29 Mar 2 American Legion Department of Virginia Spring Conference in Portsmouth, VA
- Mar 11 Post 110 monthly meeting at VFW 392, 7pm

## Good of the Legion: None

50/50 Raffle: None held.

<u>Next Monthly Meeting:</u> Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach. **START TIME 7PM.** .

The meeting was adjourned at 2020.

Submitted by: Frederic M. Kinkin Post Commander American Legion Post 110